

Champions League 2012 by Hemical

The names of the eight teams who pre-qualified for the Champions League can all be found in the grid

Across

- 1 Birds swallowing acorn husks become giants (6)
 4 Country hotel round about pleasure centre (8)
 9 Skin graft initially breaks into pieces (5)
 10 Heretical Biblical king accepting the eviscerated beast (9)
 11 Get very wet - typical of Alaska! (4)
 12 Menswear item right for bank (4)
 13 German artist recklessly rude to head of research (5)
 15 Being part of mankind, I answer for American tribes (7)
 16 Negative view starts to sound like jealousy (4)
 19 The rope brought back in the afternoon, what? (4)
 20 Former England player gets about 51 to take the pressure off (7)
 23 Late meal not as quiet - but wonderful! (5)
 24 Helps as infectious disease seriously begins (4)
 25 Father Gold gets a German woman (4)
 27 Very hot days when reptiles come back and that woman starts shooting (9)

- 28 Pride of half an army's units (5)
 29 Freeloader to rest instead of leading dance in celebratory march (8)
 30 Templar possibly key in bringing back slim ruler (6)
- Down**
 1 Lines up sight and makes it a failure (5,3)
 2 Military machine one road south, holding liquid supplies? (8)
 3 Reportedly recognises aroma (4)

- 5 Possibly caught with recycled debris here off the Scottish coast (5,8)
 6 US lawyer (and communist, as it happens) up on Southern risk-takers (10)
 7 Free beer is regularly seen in additional contract clauses (6)
 8 Team Nine hesitate on board (6)
 10 Likely successors rephrase inapt gaffe (5,8)
 14 Racket cars make going round these? (10)
 17 Heartless children

- imprison noble for period like this? (8)
 18 Become angry and order group out of bed! (3,5)
 21 Exhausts American energy with drink (4,2)
 22 Pour out jar (after taking the top off!), making a terrible row (6)
 26 Family have the power when left inside (4)

